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STATE OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA.LATEST PASTORAL STATISTICS.I. ESTIMATED WINTER LAMBING, 1929.

Lambs marked 1,170,755 (1,493,855) Decrease 323,100. 41.7 (53.0)%

DIVISION	No. of Ewes Mated	Lambs marked	
		Total No.	Percentage to Ewes
Central	596,755	361,018	60.5
Lower North	472,798	234,395	49.6
Upper North	400,090	107,109	26.8
South Eastern	b 299,499	209,389	69.9
Western	318,829	85,766	26.9
Murray Mallee	182,964	71,180	38.9
Total Counties 1929	2,270,935	1,068,857	47.1
1928	2,211,834	1,280,208	57.7
Outside Counties 1929	536,204	101,898	19.0
1928	606,760	213,647	35.2
Total State, 1929	2,807,139	1,170,755	41.7
1928	2,818,594	1,493,855	53.0
1927	2,867,907	1,677,458	58.5
1926	2,699,199	1,619,336	60.0
1925	2,600,379	1,676,120	64.5

Previous lowest percentage. 1915 - 44.6% Lambs 640,424.

The foregoing figures refer only to Winter Lambing, and are exclusive of approximately 100,000 Ewes reported as reserved for Spring Lambing.

II. SLAUGHTERINGS AND MORTALITY (6 months)

During 1928, -1,263,352 sheep and lambs were slaughtered, and it is estimated that the number for the first six months of 1929 would be approximately 600,000.

From general information available it is estimated that the flocks during this year have been heavily depleted by mortality due to drought &c. especially in the areas beyond Counties. Probably well over 500,000 have been lost, leaving the flocks including winter lambs at approximately 7,000,000 at June 30th 1929, compared with 7,900,000 the previous year.

III. WOOL LOCALLY USED, 1928-29

For the year ended June 30th 1929, 1,829,362 (2,056,950) lbs. of Wool in the grease were used in local factories.

IV. STOCKS OF WOOL &c., JUNE 30th, 1929.

Stocks held	Wool	Scoured	Sheepskins with Wool on
	G reasy lbs.		
By Woollen Mills, Scourers, &c.	2,522,357 (915,169)	43,590 (68,887)	7,522 (10,168)
By Wool and Skin Merchants	3,199,726 (2,436,799)	49,842 (18,411)	146,157 (133,093)
	5,722,083	93,432	153,679
Total	(3,351,968)	(87,298)	(143,261)

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